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### Issac: QLD's super earners

Workers living in the Local Government Area of Isaac Queensland are, on average, the highest paid in the State, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS).

In 2008-09, average wage and salary incomes in Isaac topped \$71,000 – more than \$10,000 higher than those recorded in the Central Highlands, the next highest earners.

Average salaries in the central Queensland community increased by 12% in 2008-09 compared to 6.8% growth for Queensland as a whole.

The above income data are just one feature of many economic, social and environmental statistical online profiles updated today. This includes over 70 local government areas in Queensland and over 2000 regions across Australia.

The ABS's National Regional Profile makes it easy for local communities to compare their regions with neighbouring districts, other regions in Queensland and elsewhere in Australia.

There are data available on hundreds of items, including estimated resident population, unemployment rates, number of motor vehicles, value of building approvals, and much more.

For example, did you know:

- Outside of Brisbane, the Statistical Division of Gold Coast had the highest average value of private sector house approvals in 2009-10, at \$317,000, followed by Mackay at \$290,000;
- In Brisbane, the highest values of private sector house approvals were in the Statistical Local Areas of Yeerongpilly (\$1,304,000) and Hamilton (\$888,000); and
- The northern Peninsula Area had the highest proportion of registered motor vehicles over 10 years of age (64.4%).

Regional statistics are available over a five year period up to 2010, so local communities can track changes over time in the characteristics of their areas.

The Google Maps interface makes finding regions a cinch. To get started, just click on the 'National Regional Profile' link on the ABS website, [www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au).

### Media Note:

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